

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

David Goulding, Howard Salamon,)	
Robyn Goulding, and)	
John O'Shea.,)	Case No. 1:22-cv-05224
Plaintiffs,)	
v.)	Honorable Laura K. McNally
)	
Mark Miller,)	
Defendant.)	

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Counsel for the parties jointly and cooperatively submit the following *Joint Initial Status Report* pursuant to this Court's Order of October 16, 2025 (Dkt 149).

1. Plaintiffs counsel has filed a Motion for Leave to Withdraw as Counsel to be presented at the next court hearing on November 5, 2025.

2. The parties did confer regarding a negotiated settlement as encouraged by the Court but were unable to reach an agreement.

3. The parties did confer regarding the anticipated length of trial and proposed deadlines thereof. However, they are uncertain about such issues at the moment. The parties hope to get more direction from Judge McNally at the next hearing on November 5, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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